

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**

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**MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION**

**SUBJECT:** Senior Mission Commander (SMC) Policy Letter 1-5, Standards of Conduct

1. Reference. Joint Ethics Regulation, AR 360-61
2. Purpose. To ensure everyone understands the high standards of decency we must live by here in our community, and to enlist specific support in enforcing standards. Violations of standards will not be tolerated.
3. Applicability. Applies to all Soldiers, DoD civilians, and family members within the Baumholder Community.
4. Punitive Nature. Violators of this policy may be punished under the UCMJ and/or appropriate administrative regulations.
5. Policy. Misconduct and indifference to the rights of others by a very few disturbs our community and our German neighbors. Accordingly, the following acts are prohibited:
  - a. Foul, insulting or threatening language and disorderly conduct will not be tolerated. All Soldiers and airmen are reminded the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) punishes communication of indecent language, making provoking gestures or words to another person, communicating a threat, or being disorderly. Such conduct is also punishable under German law, which, of course, applies to military and civilian alike.
  - b. Soldiers, airmen, civilian employees and US family members are forbidden to play radios, tape recorders, stereos, and other similar instruments out loud, as described in USAG-B Policy Letter 5-7 Noise Control, in public places unless specifically authorized by unit commander, installation coordinator, or competent German authority. However, use of headphones/earphones in public places is authorized contingent upon paragraph 5c of this policy letter. Everyone is reminded that loud playing of such instruments off-post may be defined by the German authorities as noise pollution and lead to arrest and prosecution.

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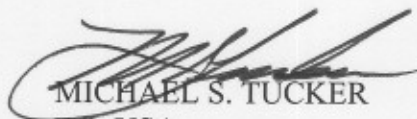
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c. Soldiers, airmen, civilian employees, and U.S. family members are forbidden to wear or operate cell phones, headphones or earphones, except those utilized for hearing protection, while operating U.S. government vehicles, privately owned vehicles, bikes, motorcycles, skateboards, skates, or while running, jogging, and walking within the Baumholder Military Community or Sub Communities.

d. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is covered under SMC Policy Letter 1-6, Control of Alcohol use.

6. Procedures. Violators of these prohibitions may be subject the military offender to disciplinary action under UCMJ and the non-military offender to appropriate administrative action. Commanders will ensure that all members of their command will have actual knowledge of the contents of this letter. Community personnel and their families are guests in the Federal Republic of Germany and should, as a matter of courtesy, conduct themselves in accordance with the desired standards, as set forth above. Failure to do so by individuals reflects poorly upon us all.

7. Proponent for this policy is the US Army Garrison Baumholder Adjutant's Office at DSN 485-6080.



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